IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

LEMENS et al.

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria,VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 4, 2004, for which a onemonth extension of time fee is authorized herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.